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SUBJ: SWEDISH THREE AXES MACHINE TOOL LICENSING

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- 1. EMBASSY INFORMED STEN NIKLASSON OF GIST OF REFTEL A. HE SHOWED IMMEDIATE INTEREST AND SOME CONCERN AS TO THE NATURE OF THE "RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS" WHICH MIGHT BE FORWARDED SOON. NIKLASSON REGARDS THE NUCON 400 CONTRACT TO BE BEYOND THE REACH OF US LEGISLATION, FOR EXAMPLE. "THIS COULD BE A VERY DELICATE MATTER", HE SAID.
- 2. WEICHBRODT, WHEN INFORMED THAT OUR VIEWS OF TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER WOULD BE PRESENTED WITHIN THE NEAR FUTURE, SAID IT WAS NOT THAT HE HAD SPECIFICALLY ASKED FOR THEM, BUT RATHER THAT KRATZ HAD SUGGESTED THAT OUR THINKING MIGHT BE HELPFUL AND WEICHBRODT HAD AGREED. IN OTHER WORDS THE LANGUAGE IN REFTEL THAT WEICHBRODT "DESIRES GUIDLINES ON US POSITION OF CONFIDENTIAL.

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TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER" IS SOMEWHAT MISPLACED EMPHASIS, ACCORDING TO WEICHBRODT. EMBASSY OFFICER, THOUGH, RECALLS THAT WEICHBRODT DID SEEK OUR VIEWS.

3. WHAT EMBASSY WISHES TO EMPHASIZE, HOWEVER, IS THAT WE MUST TAKE INTO CONSIDERATION THE OBVIOUS SWEDISH SENSITIVITIES INVOLVED. THE AS YET UNRESOLVED STANSAAB EXPORT LICENCE

QUESTION AND THE RECENTLY INITIATED DIALOGUE ON US SUPPLY OF NUCLEAR FUEL REVEAL SWEDISH UNCERTAINTIES AND CONCERNS IN THEIR TRADE RELATIONS WITH THE US. IF THE "RECOMMENDATIONS AND SUGGESTIONS" RE THE NUCON 400 SALE APPEAR TO INTRUDE IN WHAT THE SWEDES REGARD AS STRICTLY THEIR OWN BUSINESS, WE ARE ADDING A HEAVY, AND WE BELIEVE UNNECESSARY, BURDEN TO OUR RELATIONS. ON THE OTHER HAND, IF THE DEPARTMENT'S FORTHCOMING COMMUNICATION IS ORIENTED TO THE EVOLUTION OF THE POLISH CONTRACT AND ITS TECHNOLOGY TRANSFER IMPLICATIONS WHICH ARE NOT YET FIRMLY ESTABLISHED, WE MAY BE ABLE TO CONTINUE A DIALOGUE WHICH CAN INFLUENCE SWEDISH ACTIONS.

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